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In re Application of:

Michael R. Thering, et al

METHOD AND APPARATUS TO  
PRE-SCAN FILM AND PRE-TREAT  
FILM FOR IMPROVED DIGITAL  
FILM PROCESSING HANDLING

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**Amendment**

In response to the office action mailed August 29, 2003, please  
amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as set forth below:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.